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SUBJECT: ILO - 63RD INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE

1. HAITIAN GOVERNMENT RESPONDED POSITIVELY ON MAY 12 TO
EMBASSY PRESENTATIONS OF U.S. VIEWS ON 63RD INTERNATIONAL
LABOR CONFERENCE.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL ALONCE DELIMON SAID
THAT HAITI SHARES U.S. CONCERN ABOUT POLITICIZATION OF
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND WILL VOTE ACCORDINGLY. MINISTER
OF LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS ACHILLE SALVANT WAS EQUALLY
EMPHATIC IN REJECTING RECENT TREND TO POLITICIZATION IN ILO
AND LACK OF RESPECT FOR DUE PROCESS. HAITI IS PROUD OF ITS
ROLE AS FOUNDING MEMBER OF ILO AND WANTS IT TO CONCENTRATE
ON PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT WAS CONCEIVED. SALVANT THOUGHT
LATIN AMERICANS AS A GROUP WOULD RALLY BEHIND U.S., WITH A
FEW "OBVIOUS EXCEPTIONS." MINISTRY'S SECRETARY-GENERAL
MAX FOUCHARD SAID U.S. WITHDRAWAL FROM ILO WOULD BE A
"DISASTER" AND THAT A WAY MUST BE FOUND TO PREVENT IT
FROM HAPPENING.

3. HAITIAN GOVERNMENT DELEGATE AT 63RD CONFERENCE WILL
BE MINISTER SALVANT. EMPLOYER DELEGATE WILL BE MARCEL
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FLEURIMON, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE SUGAR FACTORY IN
SOUTH COAST TOWN OF LES CAYES. HAITIANS REGRET DELEGATION
WILL AGAIN NOT BE TRIPARTITE BUT ARE HOPEFUL WORKER
REPRESENTATIVE WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND NEXT YEAR. SALVANT
WILL WELCOME CONTACT WITH AMERICAN DELEGATION MEMBERS. HE
IS THE LONGEST-SERVING MINISTER IN THE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT
AND SPEAKS EXCELLENT FRENCH BUT NO ENGLISH.

4. EMBASSY APPRECIATES RECEIVING FRENCH TRANSLATION OF
TALKING POINTS IN SUCH TIMELY FASHION.
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